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COTTON GINNINGS – 2018 CROP

NEW MEXICO

New Mexico gins processed 46,200 running bales (47,550 480-pound bales) of **all cotton** from the 2018 crop, compared with 57,800 running bales (58,850 480-pound bales) from the 2017 crop, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Of the 46,200 running bales ginned, 33,850 running bales (34,800 480-pound bales) were **upland** cotton, and 12,350 running bales (12,750 -pound bales) were **Pima** cotton.

UNITED STATES

United States running bales of **all cotton** ginned from harvest in 2018 totaled 17.91 million running bales (18.32 million 480-pound bales), compared with 20.44 million running bales (20.88 million 480-pound bales) from the same period in 2017. Of that, 17.13 million running bales (17.52 million 480-pound bales) were **upland** cotton and 781,250 running bales (799,850 480-pound bales) were **Pima** cotton.

There were 532 active cotton gins during the 2018 season, down from the 553 gins that operated in 2017. Sixty percent of the gins processed more than 20,000 running bales compared with 69 percent the previous season.

For a full copy of the Cotton Ginnings 2018 Summary report please visit www.nass.usda.gov.